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Bonte Sherbro I. 1853.

November

3 Came today into Mr. Nathans Iron House with bro. Grey. We have laid a temporary floore of loose boards hung up mats to form different apartments. We are now all lodging under the same roof. The doors are not yet hung nor the glass put in the windows. Mats are used instead.

I am exceedingly exhausted tonight having been almost constantly on my feet from sunrise till 8 Oclock tonight. We are working at the new building & at the same time are so completeing this as to be habitable.

4th I again sit down weary and not well—today has been a more toilsome day than yesterday. We placed the first door frame in the Mission under story of the Mission House this forenoon. Have tried hard today to prepare my room for opening the goods sent from the Mission to pay the workmen. I now feel that a cessation from such labor as I have been performing is absolutely necessary.

I feel feverish, thirsty and weary. We shall I hope in a few days have affairs so arranged that I shall have to do less manual labor. Bro. Grey is pushing the work forward very fast.

5th Today Bro Grey commenced taking down Mr. Hazeley's house for removal from the place where the Mission purchased from him. We have had a fair day but now it rains heavily.

6th Sund. This morning the Canoe came from the Mission, having started at 7 yesterday morning and therefore having delayed on the way. This the men probably did to avoid unloading yesterday evening. Some of the articles in the Canoe had to be carried in to avoid their being stolen. Thus the only time I had for preparation to preach was encroached upon. I preached in the forenoon from John 16. 17th and in the afternoon discoursed on part of the 3rd Chapt of Matt. We held the services today in the lower story of Mr. Nathaniel Brown House. The people turned out pretty well and were more

attractive than at the Barri where
we held meetings before. The former
place being much exposed to the Wharf
Cool and pleasant today.

7 This morning bro. Tefft came down to
Good Hope & requested me to go up to
Kaw Mendi to stay till bro. Brooks
comes down from the Boom, and let
him come down to Bont. before bro. Brooks
& the Dr. arrives so as to be ready to
start at once to Freetown, where he wishes
to take the Steamer for Liberia.

8th Started last night about 8 O.
from Good Hope and arrived here
(Mendi) at 4 O. this morning.
Wrote one letter to Rev. J. Burns Liberia
one to Rev. D. D. Wilson, and one to Mr.
B. V. R. James.

9th Today bro. Tefft started for Freetown where
he intends to take the steamer for Monro-
via. I have been employed in preparing
things for town &c. and attending to
matters here.

10th At Mendi. Preached tonight
from Rom 10. 28. Bros Brooks &
Cole came from the Boom while

4 L was at Church. They have both been Sick while absent.
11 Frid. Unloaded the Canoe, and loaded it with Bricks by noon & then Started from Mekuli to Good Hope where I arrived at 11 O. at night. Had but little Sleep the rest of the night.
12 Satt. Very busy getting the Canoe unloaded and Brick Boys attending to other duties till in the night. Bro. Grey is Still pushing the work forward rapidly
13 Sund. Last night there was a perfect uproar in town till after midnight and consequently I got but little Sleep. The uproar was caused by a number of drunken men and women. Readed this forenoon from Num. 23, 10 Let me die the death of the righteous and let my last end be like his. And this afternoon Spoke on the latter part of the 3. Chapt. of Matt. very few in attendance. This people Seem devoted to drunkenness Licentiousness. and Idleness. The Sabbath is just Sufficiently observed to made

it a day of sport, drinking, and eating. So that it is hard to get the people out to preaching.

14 Mond. Busy as usual with the building Took over some timber of the house to the foundation.

15 Tues. Finished bringing stones for the wall of the house. Mr. Grey seems unwell to day or rather this evening. Cano Came from the Mission last nigh about midnight. I got but little sleep.

16 Brought over more of the lumber for the house. Nothing unusual. Have had a long talk tonight with Mr. Hanson, the Eng. Consul. He thinks the soil on the St. Pauls, Liberia superior to any other part of the West Coast, that he has seen, and he has been at nearly all places from the Gold Coast to Gambia. He also approves of the plan I pro-pose for a Mission at Liberia.

17 This evening late, bro. Burton arrived in the Canoe, bring me letters from Susan, Mother Smith, Rebecca, Uncle Charles, bro. Williams, & Dr. Myers. All want me to return. Some think

Susan cannot come here. her health is not good. It is now near 12 O. I have been reading letters & thinking about their contents till all disposition to sleep is banished. I do not know what to do. I can do nothing in making arrangements for the future at present. May God in mercy guide me.
18 Fri. Started at 3 O. P.M. from Good Hope for M.M. and reached here at 12 in the night. On my way up read some of my letters from home and was much saddened by the indications that I shall not be permitted labor somewhere on this coast. I cannot give it up till my way is absolutely closed. My convictions of deep need of these poor people of the colored race — the belief that missions in the Lutheran church are now too much neglected — the conviction that I am Physically and intellectually as well if not better qualified for this work than those at home — and above all my solemn vows to God all for this

now abandoning the idea of trying earnestly to induce the Episcopal Ch. to form a Mission in Liberia. This subject so pressed upon that I wept much of time coming up. May My Father direct me.

19 Forenoon unloading Canoe &c afternoon preparing to preach tomorrow.

20 Sund Preached in the forenoon from Luke 22. 19 "Do this in remembrance of me" & in the afternoon administered the Sacrament to a few individuals in the Church. My heart felt sad to know that some of the Church members remained away. One old woman who lives in the town, but is so afflicted with leprosy as to be unable to walk sent word that she wanted me to wait upon her with the Sacrament. Bro Brooks & I went. She was in a small country house with a small fire kindled in the middle, and herself was upon a bed of Bamboo sticks elevated about 8 in. from the ground, and

 covered with a mat, she had a country Cloth over her. She is indeed a pitiable object her hands and feet being eaten with the disease. Many sores were on her body. She - Deaf - She prayed much and trusted in God. We talked a considerable time with her and having administered the ordinance returned.

This evening heard bro. Brooks preach of the parable of the sower.

I have not felt as well today as usual.

December 5th. 1853.
Bont Factory

On Mond. 21st of Nov. I was unwell, but succeeded in getting the Canoe ready to come down, having loaded it with Bricks, Tin and other materials for the house, and would have started but a fight took place among the Kroomen and after trying for some time to get things ready I became so

Sick & feverish that I was obliged to give up coming and take my bed. Having taken medicine during the afternoon and night I felt better by the next morning the

22 Prepared & Started, but by the time of Starting I felt quite weak & would not have come if I could have induced any other one to come to accompany Miss. Oldrich who wishes to come down. We Started in time to reach this before night but the men Stopped one hour on the water and would not go and besides did not try at all when they were pulling So that we did not arrive till Mid-night. I was Sick and had fever and ~~did~~ having no comfortable place to lie down did not Sleep a minute till morning. It was absolutely necessary that I Should

23 go immediately in the morning to the building to Show the others what changes Should be made in in the frame before going up By this time my Strength

was about exhausted & as I could not endure the heat of the Iron house into which bro. Grey has temporarily gone I came over here to Mr. Nathan's. The accommoda-tion here was not good just then, as there was necessarily much business going on with the Eng. Consul, in the same little house where I was. However Mr. Sanderson & Nathan were extremely kind & I received medicines from the former which gave relief by the morning of the

24th ~~Thursday~~ Wed. But, on account of being worried by business & not having taken a sufficiency of active medicine the fever returned & I suffered excessively on Thurs. night.

25 Thursday Sent for the Dr. to the Mission

26 Fri. ~~Sat~~ the Dr. came. I was better, but fever continued till

1st Dec. Since that I have been improving & this morning I feel pretty well. Fortunately bro.

Burton my dear friend was here and attended me while sick. I owe much of gratitude to that good man. Sist. Ulurich also came over nearly every day & did me much good by preparing things suitable for me to eat and otherwise waiting on me. I must never forget James Beal Mr. Burtons boy & a recaptured slave. He attended me one or two nights & I never witnessed greater faithfulness in human kind. That boy deserves to be well cared for & he will be a blessing to the world.

6th At Good Hope.

7 Last evening, having spent the day at the new Station, and being detained there by a storm, I was obliged to remain all night and had a poor nights rest as there was much noise. Felt very weak and unwell this morning, but after a while became better & worked nearly all day at preparing the apparatus for cutting and bending Tin for the

roof of the house & in showing the Carpenters how to commence putting it on the building. [15]

This evening have had a long talk with friend N. about his settling — that is marrying and locating here in a proper manner. I feel deeply for a man situated as he has been till obstacles to marriage & settlement render it difficult to be done. The current of custom here is against such a movement, and when a man determines to discontinue his former course of life and reform it noble and deserves encouragement.

I now feel tired with my days labor.

7th Worked at the house, but quite unwell. Today bro. Burton came back from the Mission not feeling satisfied to remain there.

8th Still unwell — but working some. Bro: Burton commenced work with Mr. Nathan at his new house purchased from the Mission.

10th p 10t So well as yesterday was obliged to give up work today at 2 O. feel better this evening Commenced a letter to Susan.

11th Was engaged at the building most of the but felt unable to do much.

12th Susan did not attend meeting in the forenoon but in the afternoon Spoke a while on the first 11 verses of the 4th Chapt of Math. Wrote part of a letter this evening to Rebecca.

12th Mond. Went early to the house & worked nearly all day — was tired Wrote some to Susan at night

14 Tues. Have been very busy and feel quite unwell. In the morning went to the building — Sent the canoe to town Sent a letter to Susan & one to Rebecca & a few lines to Wm. & Elis. each.

15th Miss Aldrich is quite sick today Sent for the Doctor this evening I am very tired as usual. Mr. Nathan told us that Thos. Caulker Chief of Bendoo, when former

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15th engaged in the slave trade could command almost any amount of money — often had 2 or 3 thousand dollars of ready cash. His credit was then so good that he received from Mr. Isaacs a trader 10 hundred Pounds nearly 50,000 doll — from Mr. Regner £9.00 Mr. Beadle 200 & Mr. Latham £400 In all about 12,000 doll. Now he is not able to pay fifty dollars.

Five years ago & soon after he entered into treaty with the Eng. to desist from the slave trade, a Spanish vessel came to him according to previous arrangements with a large amount of Rum & 200 Doubloons. ~~nearly~~ 3,000 doll. He received the money & then reported the slaver to a Man of War & it was taken as a Prize.

16 The Dr. came down today. Miss Aldrich is better.

17 Went to Debed and paid Rev Charles for stones that we quarried at Mokolo. Mr. Preston was along & also Mr. Hanson. We took dinner with Mr. Hanson & had a very fine time. Mr. H. knows much about this coast and the people

Superior ability of Blacks to endure the Climate of Africa.

17th Sat. Today Mr. Grey moved into the new house, although none of the Plastering is done and much work is yet to be done within. I think it an unwise step as Miss Aldrich is not at all well and is much disturbed & injured by noise and there will be 4 carpenters working in the house for several days. The Iron house could have been occupied a little longer and besides just at this time we are very busy & he was obliged to do so much work yesterday that today he is sick.

I preached this forenoon in the basement of the Iron House, from Rev. 10 & 28. This afternoon we had no services as neither of the others could attend it & I was not able as my work yesterday of fitting window sash & much other work so exhausted me that I could not rest last night.

This afternoon I have been reading in the History of Abbeokuta Mission & there saw a statement in regard to the comparative health of the white & colored people in the Niger Expedition in 1841 There were 3 steamers 190 white men &

18 & 108 Blacks 41 of the whites died while on the river, & none of the blacks died & none of them suffered much. The vessels entered the river on the 13 of Aug. and were 3 months in the river.

19th Mond. Have been at the building all day. For several days - ever since the morning after the Dr. came down - Mr. Grey has been rather sullen with me & has a few times insinuated such things as led to some dispute. He had put on the siding of the house while I was sick & he did not do it properly as he put the groves instead of the tongues uppermost When the Dr. came down I simply showed it to him, and when he inquired how it happened I told him that as I was not there I could not tell. I told him that Mr. Grey had charge of the hands. He went immediately to Mr. Grey told what I had said & I believe more by way of emphasis &c. & then turned in with Mr. Grey &c saying that it was all well enough &c. The things of which Mr. Grey has since complained are too little to fine a

place here. He took offence today at my asking Mrs. Grey to come to the door & select such fish as she wanted to cook from the various kinds that the fisher boys had. He said all things must be referred to him, and afterwards told me he wished me not to come in to the house. If I did I should not speak to him. I of course took my leave perhaps not to return.

I never before met such a man he acts as though he were insane. He treated Mr. Burton in such a way as drove him off from the work. He is continually quarrelling with his wife & threatening to leave her, & trying to drive her off although they have not been married more than two months.

20 Tues. Busy all day arranging the mission accounts. Hal quite well

21 Wed Making out accounts all day

22 Writing till 1 O. then ~~went~~ went with Capt Aldrich to Victoria. Wrote in the evening -

23. Frid. Writing & making out accounts with workmen all day Tonight a Mohammedan was in with us till late & as he firmly believes in Greegree Mr. McB performed a number of tricks which he did not understand and he went away deeply impressed with white Man's Superiority. We are expecting bro Jeff. from Liberia tonight.

24th Sat. Settled with the masons in the forenoon. Bro. Jeff. t. arrived from Liberia about 2 Oclock Bringing me 2 letters from Mr. Wilson 1 from Mr. Burns & 1 from Mr James Liberia — 1 from my dear wife — 1 from Sister Myra 1 from Sister Smith 1 from Bro Browning. From bro Wilson I learn that the plan of uniting the Pres. & Meth. High Schools in Monrovia and remove to a position on the St. Pauls River has been disapproved by the Pres. Board therefore there will not be any thing done in that matter.

Brest Dec.

Susans letters hold out no encouragement to hope that she will ever be able to come & labor in Africa I regret exceedingly that such is the state of her health. I feel more & more desirous to return soon to America. She says but little but that little is much from one so patient and so much disposed to submit to every thing. My dear Susans letters are a comfort to me indeed. My dear little Eliza must be a lovely child May she only early give her heart to God and then she may be useful to the world.

Sister Nevins letter is truly affecting. She gives an account of my dear Sister Emalines death. She died as a Christian full of hope and joy. My beloved parents are becoming more feeble & want me to come home.

25th Sund. Today Bro. Jefft preached here in the forenoon & Bro. Hanson in the afternoon. Several other persons were here for dinner and we had a fine turkey put before us.

26 Mond Today Mr Grey has determined to leave for the U.S. I have been busy settling with workmen.

27 Tues. Settled with all the masons & dismissed 3 of them Mr. Grey started for Freetown this evening about sundown I sent a short letter to Susan one to cousin Jenny Walker & one to sisters Becca & Martha also one to my parents.

28 Today bro Jefft & Sister Aldrich started m. m. Mr. Jefft is quite sick and as we had many things to send a canoe besides the Boat in which they went, was needed. In getting all this done I was

constantly employed till 1 Ok when they started. Afternoon I fitted in sash & worked at other things. Late in the evening I came in and prepared to lodge in the new house. Two little Boys from the mission & one of the Carpenters & myself formed the company. We had prayers soon and ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ will retire for the night. It is a little lonely. I think much of the difference the presence of Susan would add to the scene.

29 Helped raise Mr. Faltrans house. Hung some doors. and fitted sash. I am quite tired for this has been a busy day.

30 Frid. Bro. Burton came down to the new house ~~[illegible]~~ to ~~[illegible]~~ lodge. Carrie came down ~~this~~ evening from the mission with James Steele to take care of our rooms.

31st Sat. At work at the new house

~~[illegible]~~

1 This is the second time I have had to change the units figure in the years place in dating my journal since I bid my dear Hawaii Good Bye. This I did not expect when I left. However I have no cause of complaint. How mercifully I have been dealt with by my merciful Father! Preserved in that hostile climate. Twice raised from a bed of sickness. Permitted to enjoy the society of some at least whose hearts are kind & warm! But I am ashamed when I think how little gratitude I have exercised toward Him from whom all these favors came. My God help me to live that I may die in peace.

This forenoon Rev. Mr. Hanson preached at Bent from 1 Pet. 4. 7th Be sober & watch unto prayer. It was a good discourse. In the afternoon I preached from Ps. 56. 12. There were several persons with Mr. H to dinner.

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2d Mon. Started at 4 O. for Mendi – having business with Bro. Tefft & others in regard to the erection of a Kitchen & Chapel here. I reached the Mis. at 10 in the night, lay down & slept till morning. All tolerably well – Bro. Tefft feeble – W. Lovin no better. Ther. 86°.

3 Started back from Mendi at 10. A.M. and reached this at 9 O. at night. Ther. 85.

4th Wed. Last night I was aroused from sleep by pains in my stomach and bowels. Soon after vomited & from that till morning vomited several times. had frequent evacuations of the bowels and was in great pain. The attack was perhaps caused by indigestion. Today I have been able only to oversee the Laborers & write a little. I have 16 common Laborers, 3 Masons & 4 Carpenters. Labores 7½ per day and a qt. of Rice each. Masons average about 2-6d & Carpenters about the same. These board themselves. Ther. 86.

5 Thurs. very busy today with the work. I marked out the place for the Chapel 23 by 33 feet to be built of Stone a little above the top of the Ground and the rest with Mica bricks dried in the Sun. Ther. today in shade 88 at noon this morning 81.

6 Frid Commenced foundation of Chapel wrote a letter to the women of Springfield in behalf of the Womens Literary Society at Monrovia. Wrote part of a letter to Rev. Wilson Monrovia

Ther. at noon 88° evening 83°

7 Sat Duties as usual. Not well Ther. 88° at noon at night 86

8 Sund. Rain this morning & forenoon a heavy shower — [illegible] but Preached [illegible] to only a few persons in the new Profession house from Rev. 4.18 The death of the just &c. I feel quite unwell this evening — back I have not been

able to anything with comfort for several days. Stomach much out order. The air has been cool all day ~~Ther 87 at noon~~. Ther. 79 at noon.

9 Mon. Sent the canoe that came from town last night to the mission. Bro. Jefft came down today. Those at the Mission are as well as usual. I have felt quite unwell all day. Ther. 82°

10 Tues. Wrote a letter for the Lutheran Observer & sent it and one to Rev. L. A. Wilson Monrovia, one to the Women of Springfield, and one to Susan to Freetown by Mr Nathan. Evening went to visit Mr. Warner in company with Bro. Jefft returned later. Ther. during the day 87.

11 Wed. Bro Jefft started for Muhlenberg about noon. Nothing unusual. I don't feel well tonight considerable fever. Ther. 87. during the day.

12th Commenced making Mud Brick for the Chapel. The material here is not at all good being almost entirely composed of sand. Canoe came from the Mission. All as well as usual. Spent considerable time in repairing tools. There S. E. now I have fever again tonight though not so bad as last night.

13 This evening bro Thompson came from America bringing with them bro. Condit. He brought the picture of my dear Susan & Alice. & I had high fever so that I could not read my letters from bro. Whipple, bro Dem. Sist Thompson & Susan.

14 Sat quite unwell but obliged to be about much of the time at night I had high fever and especially in the after part of the night I suffered much in my head.

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15 — Sund. Kept my bed nearly all day. Bro Condit preached

16 Have been better today but am not yet well.

17 Tues. Having made arrangements previously to accompany Mr. Hanson the British Consul up the Boom River, Bro Brooks & I left Good Hope at 2 O clock for Mr. Hanson's

Visit up the Boom River 45

Jan. 17th Started from Victoria on Sher-bro S. at 5 O P.M. — Entered the ~~Bullum~~ River about dark & reach-ed Yalee Wm. Tuckers town at 12 the same night — were kindly received & lodged there till morning — when we were presented with some mutton & fine rice for breakfast. Barga John Tucker, Davis & Wm. Tucker all were for peace.

18 Wed. Left Yalee at 11½ A M. & proceeded up the Bullum or Kittim river. We met several trading canoes with Rice Camwood &c. We landed in the evening at Subul — Sokanna's town at the mouth of the Kittim branch, and staid during the night. We had procured a house from Sokanna which had a bad roof & as it rained heavily during the night Mr. Hanson & I were wetted in the bed we held 3 Umb-

ias over us for a long time. Mr Brook
fared some better being in a less leaky
part of the house.
19th The morning was rainy & dark &
we were late in setting out & did
not reach Joma the place at which
we intended to lodge till 8 O. at night
The Barricade was closed & we had diffi-
culty in getting in as the people feared
we were only the advance of a force to
take the town. However we after some
talk were admitted & provided with a
house. But it was only 10 ft in diam-
ater, being round & only 5 ft high on
the walls. The King Saburu was not
to be found - some said he had gone
to visit a friend - some that he was in
a small village near by & others that he
had ran into the Bush. We informed
them that we should leave early whether
the King came or not. This they remon-
strated against very earnestly but Mr 96.
was determined & it seemed that some

of them were sent to bring the King
just we were about to leave he came
dressed in a clean country Cloth & wear-
ing a broad brimmed Beaver hat — which
however was so small that when demor
on his head the Brim turned up all
round appearing most ridiculous — this
entire rig was probably borrowed & was
the cause of our not seeing him when
we first landed as he was waiting till
he could appear as his royalty required.
He expected a very large present but when
informed that we gave none he seemed
much disappointed & grieved. He offered us
a ~~fowl~~ food which we refused to
accept as he neither gave nor received pres-
ents: but after some time he took the fowl
Boma the town is only a small place
most miserable huts are the dwellings the
whole inclosure is not more than half
an acre of land — the people are few & ap-
pear to be on the point of starvation al-
though they have a good soil. The Barra-
coon is rickety tumble down affair — nearly

neither strength no convenience for resist and as there are no port holes through the inner stockade and the outer one will give no protection to those behind it being composed of sticks planted a considerable distance from eachother. The inner one is made of split sticks erected on end & held by a ring of rattans on each side but could be cut down at one stroke with a heavy axe. Ten armed men would easily take the town with the people that were in it when we arrived.

20 Fri. Started from Tomo at 10 O. A.

Passing ~~[illegible]~~ Nyma & Tupa came to a new Barricade on the ~~left~~ North Side of the river, called Bue Kull. There we were hailed from the shore & we answered, but the people ordered us to stop, which ~~we~~ refused to do as ~~a~~ rain was coming up & we were desirous to reach Mokolo before it came on. The Chief sent canoes afterwards with orders to bring us back. We came close but partly from fear & partly from the swiftness of our Boat they gave ~~up~~ the chase

They seemed very determined till they came so near as to see a cutlass lying by each of our men & then they slackened their speed and at length gave up the object. We reached Mokolo about sunset & were kindly received by the king Bur-kilong or Kapanta. He gave us a tolerably good house to lodge in & acted with much propriety &c. We told him of the conduct of the people at Bur-Mull & he said he would inquire into the affair & if the people were ever [illegible] he would tax their strength. He seemed vexed at their treatment of us.

21st Sat. Set out from Mokolo in the morning & passed several small towns & calling at each, and landed for a short time at a place called Kipa-tull. Here the Purrah were sitting talking about making peace — this being their business. They were assembled in a Barre & had a strange looking object in their midsts. It was a gay looking shaped vessel filled with large black

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black feathers & supported on a stand by 8 thigh bones of human beings. The bones were variously painted. Two human skulls were placed on the stand under the vessel on the two opposite sides & two tortoise shell on the other two. These men seemed serious & acted with propriety. Among them was one Collins who did not look so disgusting as others that I have seen. His eyes had not that red appearance. In the afternoon we stopped a short time at Savanna a walled town on the North side of the river. The wall is built of clay balls & inside of that is a picket fence or stockade at about a 10 ft distance & the space is full of sharp pointed sticks some perpendicular & others inclined in all directions. We reached Mow Tappan at about 1 hour before sunset. We soon found our way to the place at which bro B. has built up the country house

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22 Sunday I spoke once to the people here & once at Mobungo on the opposite side of the river. Braw the old King was present at the Meeting here & seemed much interested. A large number of Sierra-Leone traders were present at Mobungo & 16 of them came over to speak with Mr W. in the afternoon. Most of them have been here a long time & have taken country wives each of them. Several & are living in a wretched state. From this place we have a beautiful view of the fall and the country. We cannot see much of the river either above or below the river turns to the South a little above the beginning of the rapids & also makes a turn before us. The spot at which I now am is about 70 ft above the water at this stage. The water rises here in the rains 15 ft or more above the present height & in the series of falls 3 ft below. The soil is good. The river descends about 4 ft within a space of three rods at the most rapid part

54 The population about here is not large. Mr. Hanson called together the British Subjects residing at the Falls & upwards of 20 came to meet him. All the people profess to desire peace.

23rd. [illegible] left Mow-Tappar about 9 O. Called at Kaw-Monde. The Chief Pug-bana. The town is walled with clay balls & inside is a Stockade. The Chief is from the interior & was a Cannibal when he first came down. The custom of the women clapping their hands when anything pleasing to the company is said, was exemplified here. We called at Kispahalk & saw the Pierrah men. They were attending their dance. One man was dressed in the most phantastic manner and performed the dance. He carried the object which we saw in going up on his head.

We landed at Nickolo before sunset & was kindly received by Bar-kolo.

24 Tues. Left Mokoss in the morning
- called at Lisahoo, Boyo, Jaffa
and continuing our way in the
night reached Yalee about midnight
Slept till morning.

25 Wed. Set out from Yalee at 9
O. P arrived at Victoria about 3.
P. M. — Steamer arrived at Bendoo
Mr. Nathan came down on it. All
pretty well.

26 Thurs. Left Good Hope at noon
and in company with bros. Jeffs
Burton & Brooks went to N. M.
Arrived about 9 O. at night found
all pretty well but Sist. Aldrich
who has fever. The object of our
coming is to have a meeting for
business tomorrow. Bros. Brooks &
Jeffs urge bro. Burton & myself
to remain one year more. I feel
the importance of doing so but
also feel my duty to my dear wife
at home and so much desire to
see her & my dear little girl.
Just now is an important cri-
sis in this region. Mr. Hanson

is putting forth every possible effort to make peace among the various parties up the Boom & from what I saw while with him on our visit I think he will do much towards accomplishing his object. If he should succeed it will open the way for us to labor more inland. And besides it is true that our efforts in connexion with his at this particular time will assist much in securing peace and safety among the people. The peculiar characteristics of the laborers as well as their fewness in number will not admit of doing much up the river & at the same time carrying on the work here and at Bonthe Mendi. I have thought much about this question & do not know what to do.

27 Frid. Assembled for business at 10 & continued in session till 3. At the urgent request of bros. Hoff & Brooks. Bro. Burton agreed to remain another year unless some-

thing at home now unknown
should prevent him. I have also
promised to write to my dear Susan
in regard to my remaining another
year, & to wait here until I receive
an answer from her. If she should
be willing & so situated as to justi
fy my absence I have promised to
stay one year longer. We met
again at B. in the evening &
on the strength of what Bro. B.
& I promised we were appointed
to the Good Hope Station provi-
ded we can remain. I could hard
ly allow the motion to pass & in-
deed did again say that it was
very uncertain whether I could re-
main or not. O that I knew
exactly what I should do. When
I think of home & of the letters I
received not long since I think I
should go home at once but when
I look at the peculiar condition
of this people & of the mission I
feel as though I should remain a
while. I shall now have to write
to Susan about this matter. It is

a hard task. I never before felt reluctant to write to Susan. I know if I should write that I must stay she would utter no complaint but she may suffer greatly from my absence. I always thought that the work of missions demanded much self-denial but this is more than that. It is perplexity and doubt in regard to weighty matter indeed. I believe I want to do right. I feel entirely convinced that I can do much here if I remain for a year but I fear greatly that it might result in injury to her to whom I owe my first obligations on earth. May kind Heaven guide me while I deliberate & decide this question.

28th Sat. Did not rest well last night & therefore have not felt well today. Bros. Brooks & Preston & I left M. M. at 11½ A. M. & arrived here (Pont.) at 4½ P. M. all right except that some persons came here last night to steal. However, they did not succeed for

games. Beale, our Boy here, was on the look out & hailed them and as they would not leave he loaned a gun in one of the rooms and shot at them twice driving them quite away. I have thought much about writing to Surrey the promise (conditional) that I have made to the company.

In our meeting last night Bro. Parker was appointed to Morrystown, Bro. Thompson & Cought who came out with him last. Bro. Tefft will return to America & as I before said bro. Burton & I are conditionally appointed here. I would like to continue one year longer here if only I knew that all would be well at home.

29th Sund. This forenoon bro. Brooks preached from the text "All things work together for good" &c. Not many present. The discourse was good. In the afternoon I spoke on the first part of the 5th Chapt of Matt. A few people only present but were attentive. Commenced a letter to my parents.

30 Very busy making mud bricks laying them in the Lumb- for a Chapel. Nothing uncommon. Bro: Tefft came here late this evening on his way to Freetown on business for the Mission.
We have had a long talk about abandoning Kaw Mendi & removing the School and Mission property there to other Stations.

We now have the Harmattan Winds which seem to dry up every thing Boards Standing up so that one face is struck by the wind while the other is not it will dish the same as if throwen upon the ground in the sun. Book covers &c. are drawn crooked as when exposed to the heat of fire or sun. It also hacks the skin and causes ~~the skin~~ it to become feverish. I have been much affected by it. This wind comes from ~~the~~ the N. E & therefore are from the Desert.

Jan. 31st 1854. Today bro Teft Started to Freetown with the Canoe. I sent 1 letter to my beloved parents & 1 to my loving wife. But this last one I sent with great reluctance as I was obliged to propose to her my stay=ing here six months or a year longer. I fear I have done wrong in making the conditional promise to stay & yet I also feared I should do wrong not to accede to the request of the brethren. May God direct me into all truth and duty & prepare me for his will!

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8th Today marks the end of one year for me in Africa. How mercifully have I been preserved! and how quickly this year has passed! although many short periods have seemed tedious yet the year seems short. One thing contributing to this is the many changes of place that I have made during the time. I have thought much about the letter I sent yesterday to my dear Susan. I sometimes almost wish it were not on its way to her. But I must now let it go, praying & hoping that it will not do harm.

I have been posting accounts much of the day & am not yet half done. This I have through sickness & absence permitted to accumulate on my hands.

The atmosphere is now very smoky so that an object cannot be seen any considerable distance.

I have had fever everyday 2 O. today. It seems to be like Sumb agne. Ther. 82°

2nd Finished making a "lime heap"— that is a pile of logs with Oyster Shells on or rather in it to be burnt into lime.

Commenced making preparations to take off the roof of this house. It was in the first place constructed by Mr. Sears of Boston with the design of putting on an Iron Roof but hearing that Iron roofs did not do well he conclu=ded not to put it on. It was to flat to put on Shingles, & the committee sent out tin but we have not the workmen nor all the materials for such work & therefore on so flat a pitch it is hard to make a roof sufficiently tight for these heavy rains. & besides all this Mr. Grey commenced this while I was sick & putting it on in great haste made a bad job of it. I was able only to come down after the sheeting was put on & then could not stay more than 2 or three hours at a time. I told him

before & at the time that the roof should have been raised & more care should be taken in putting on the tiles, but he would have his own way & the consequence is that now, with great inconvenience & cost we are obliged to take off all & make the Roof steeper this will delay us long.

There are now 4 Schooners at Anchor now near this place some on their way down and others are to return up the coast

The heat is not great here now but this dry weather does not seem to agree with me so well as the Rainy Season.

Ther. 83°

3rd Busy today with the hands. Commenced the Portico — continued making benches for a Chapel. Wrote part of a letter to bro. Whipple.

Ther. 87° at noon.

4 Sat. Last night at 12 bro. Brooks arrived from M. Neyseine on his way to Nuvo — suppose to remove

his labors there. We will leave this on Monday.

Our work now advances pretty well. The Harmattan winds are over & today we have had a fine sea breeze, which is much more conducive to health, than those dry winds.

I wrote a little tonight to Susan.

Ther. at noon 84°.

5th Sund. Preached this forenoon from John 3. 6th & this afternoon spoke on a part of the 5th Chapt. of Matt. The ~~people~~ people this morning seemed very attentive. This evening I finished reading "Shady Side" I have not at least been injured by reading that book there is much in it of real life in the ministry & it is well told.

Ther. 88 at noon.

Mond. 6th Have been busy today but have accomplished but little. Our Canoe got loose floated down to a small town 4 miles & was taken up by a native who refused to send

or bring it back with paid there four times the usual reward given for such favors I was obliged to go for it my self & as I saw no one at the place where it was brought it away without informing any one. The persons who took it up & the Clay, Rice Charley, came to see about the matter this afternoon & again this evening & I fear I spoke & acted too warmly about it. I desire more patience & meekness.

Bro. Brooks left today for the Falls of the Brown. Bro. Buxton helping me.

Ther. 87°

Tues 7th Have been very busy all day but do not feel fatigued. Have been up this evening at Mr. Nathan's new place to settle a row among his workmen. They are nearly all herra-boire men that have been engaged in the quarrel. They have been drunk all afternoon & tonight have been fighting with fist club & Cutlass. Some are considerably gashed about the head with Cutlass. All the herra-boire men are not so. We have had 12 of them several months and have seen no quarreling among them

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7 Posted accounts a while tonight it is now late.

Ther. 88 at noon.

8 Burnt Lime of Oyster Shells. It does pretty well for Mortar. We have now about 15 Laborers besides Carpenter & Mason. The Masons are working at the Chapel. The foundation is of Stone the rest to be of Mud bricks dryed in the Sun. The size of the chapel is 23 by 33 ft.

Ther 95 at 10.

9th Nothing unusual. Finished Porter Porter books. Sent off 1 letter to Susan & 1 to Mr. Whipple.

Ther. 88

10th I have been busy with the work commenced building a Wharf. We were visited this evening Mr & Mrs Sumner from Freetown. He is now Capt of Mr Fields vessel & his wife accompanies him on short trips up & down the coast. Old Harry Tucker visited us this evening also Rev Charlie King of Sherbro.

Ther. at 6 A.M. 79 - at 2 87 at 7 P.M. 83

Feb 11th Sat. I have been work-
ing considerable today at construct-
ing a wharf. This evening late
Mr. Mathews Canoe which Mr.
Tefft took to town with him
arrived bringing two carpenters
for Mr. Sethark 2 Marines for
the Mission 700 ft of lumber, Oil
Paint &c. Being Bro. Burtons
goods left before at Freetown
Also my trunk with Books
Bro. Tefft will come down
in the Mission Canoe next
week.

The Canoe which we
sent to the Mission yester-
day came late tonight, bring-
ing a number of small articles
Bro. Thompson & Family well
Mrs. plainly better. Miss Kinson
has had a severe attack lately
but is now better. Miss
Moore not well. Sa. Com-
plaining.

I feel tired tonight.
Ther. at 6 79° at 2 98° & at
7 - 83°

Feb. 12 Sund. Have had considerably fever all day, but it is now abating somewhat. Last evening I perhaps took cold while out at the Wharf seeing the canoes unloaded.

This morning the Rev. Thompson of the Baptist Ch. Freetown preached for me. This afternoon I spoke on the latter part of the 5th Chapt. of Matt. There were three uncul in attendance. I feel much perplexed at times to know what to do to secure attendance on meeting. Mr. P today was on a visit to the Conwal & only one from the Factory came to meeting. I also often fear that my daily walk & my conversation with these people are very defective. I desire to do them good but not enough. I pray for them but not often enough nor with sufficient earnestness & faith. May God help me in my labors here.

Ther. at 6 — 79 — at 2 87½ at 7, 82.

Feb. 13th Mond. Today have labored nearly all day. Set the two door frames in the Chapel. Built a lime heap. Still making mud Bricks. Bro. Burton is moving a house that stood on the mission Ground when we bought that part of it & we agreed to remove it. Mr. Grey removed it some time ago, but put it up so badly that it has to be taken down and reconstructed a great trouble. It is a country house made of upright poles & walled with Mangrove Roots.

This evening I posted accounts for the last week.

I have thought much today about my want of fitness for my place. I need Patience, kindness & consistency in a much higher degree. I feel this more & more every day. The people except those employed by the Mission do not attend our meetings well & perhaps it is because of my want of the qualifications to interest them in preaching & to win them in my ordinary intercourse with them. I

Feb. 13 This morning it rained a little quite early perhaps about 4 O. Forenoon Cloudy—afternoon Clear. Ther. at 6 77°. 2. 84°—7. 84

Feb 14 Bro. Tefft arrived late at night from Freetown but brought us no letters. He is not very well. Mrs. Bennett, our Carpenters wife came along with him.
Ther. at 6 77° 2. 83 7. 84

Feb 15 Had but little sleep last night, not well this forenoon, but now feel quite well. Bro. Tefft left for the mission this morning at 8 O. Took the tin off the house today, preparing for Shingles.
Ther. at 6. 86. 88. 81.

16th Thurs. This has been a busy day here. We removed the Sheeting from the rafters of the house & commenced elevating them. We now have no covering overhead. This after noon the canoe arrived from

more Tappon, Bringing us 19 bush of Cocoa. The men report that they were stopped at Bogo a Town 1 day below the Falls & were compelled to pay 1 bar before passing. This is the place at which we had a long Palaver with the people as we came down. This has been a hot day.
Ther. at 6. 76° at 2. 94 at 7. 82

17 Frid. Today we finished elevating the rafters on the house and are now nearly ready to commence nailing on Shingles. It is cloudy & we fear rain. We have packed up our books & most of our clothes in Boxes so as to prevent their getting wet if it should rain. We have also packed away most of the Dry goods on hand & have a few mats and Oil cloths put over the part we are to sleep in

18th Sat. Last night at about 12 O a strong Tornado came up which swept away all the mats

18 & Tarpoleans we had overhead & now were obliged to abandon our beds & our room. We succeeded in refastening the Oil cloths over the Goods so as to keep them dry & Gilesy and Mathers slept over the Goods aboveboard in the house & staid till morning at the house of one of our carpenters. We were much wetted and had no change of clothes that we could get at but neither of us has been much affected by it. The wind was stronger than is usual in the Tornadoes here. This morning the East side of the house was spotted with leaves blown with great force against the siding. They were blown from a large cotton wood tree a short distance in front of the house. Today we got most of the room we occupy covered and have again fastened on the Mats and Oil Cloths.

19th Mond. Preached this forenoon in the lower story of the hous

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from Luke 2 10 "A light to lighten the Gentiles" — Not many present — No meeting this afternoon — Today has been quite cloudy but no rain. The air is cool.

Feb 20 Mond. — Still at the roof have considerable of one side covered. Bro. Burton not well — The canoe from the Mission has just arrived bro Jeffs came down on it. The members of the mission are about as usual. This evening I posted accounts of the last week.

21 Tues. Very busy all day bro Jeffs at Point most of the day.

22 Wed. — Went after breakfast with bro Jeffs to Victoria to Mr. Robinson & thence with both to Pier Charles to see Harry Tucker about the rent of the Harry Mission premises. Mr. Raymond agreed in the first place

to pay a yearly rent of 100 dollars & 3 years are now due. Harry has not during that time been at the Mission no appears it the protection specified in the agreement. He therefore agreed to pay him only one half the rent for the 3 years & then not to pay any hereafter or this he supposed before witness.

Bro. Jefft not well.
Bro. Bluten afflicted with a Boil under his arm.

23 Thurs. Today Tucker came signed an instrument of writing with bro. Jefft & myself granting release from all payment of rent for the past and a free use of the situation for the future so long as the Mission stays & the privilege of removing all its property when it shall be removed. For this he received in Goods One hundred & fifty dollars.

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The Dr. having come down yesterday remains till tomorrow

Feb. 24 Frid. Very busy - burning lime masons at the Chapel - Carpenters finished the roof almost - have 16 laborers. Bros. Burton Cole & Tefft all left about 3 O Bros. Tefft & Burton go to Mesua to see the place It is on the gong river near the head. Dr. Cole returns to Mendi.

I am now alone with the boy James Pegle. I have time for reflection but there many little duties occupy my mind much. So many little accounts with the men. So many little matters to see after about their work. O! that I were more patient and meek - more careful & wise.

Feb 25th Sat. Tonight I feel somewhat lonely & quite tired as I have had much to do.

I received this afternoon a letter from Susan bearing date Dec 11th She & my dear little Alice were pretty well. That is Susan was rather stronger than usual & Alice was as fat and lively as ever. I would delight to see them. It made me sad to read that Susan is looking forward with so much pleasure to the time appointed for my return & I have since written that I have conditionally agreed to remain longer another year if she is willing. This will again carry her so much trouble. I can hardly feel satisfied with myself for doing so. I received a letter from Bro. Henry & Sist. Anna Smith requesting me to write the particulars of the Mission, Country & people. I cannot reply to all my letters. I have so much to do. My whole powers seem to be expended this evening.
May God help me.

26th Sund. This forenoon a man who is now at Pont and is connected with the Wesleyan Ministry in Freetown preach for me I spoke in the afternoon from the first few verses of the 6th of Matt. Mr. N. spent the time ~~with~~ between meetings with me. We had some conversation on religion he was very reasonable. In the evening I had some talk with the people in the little town near. They told me the reason they did not attend meeting was because I did not pay them. It is hard to get these people to believe that any man is capable of disinterested benevolence & therefore they suppose that all of us have some personal profit from the mission & from their hearing.

27 Mond. I am tired & feverish Bro. Rawston & Miss Aldrich came late this evening very unexpectedly to me. We have a very confused house. I was ~~part~~ sending the canoe off to the Miss. with

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the letters that came Sat when they arrived. So I defer it till to-morrow morning. Bro. Preston likes the country he has visited up the gong river.

28th Mon. Today we finished the chapel walls — I have felt rather unwell all day. Commenced a letter to Bro. & Sist. Smith this evening. Sent the little canoe to Mendi this morning with the letters that came out last by mail

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One year & 1 month in Africa. Went early this morning to the Mongeire Swamp for a few large sticks for the Chapel. Returned not well. Was busy arranging the goods so as to be more convenient & more secure. Considerable fever tonight — Canoe returned from Mendi bringing a letter from bro. Tefft stating that by one of the letters sent up Mr. Whipple gives instructions not to

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commence any new Stations till further instructions are given to be careful in giving whole Stations for new ones. And to send individually our reasons for or against removing form the rail

March 2 Thurs. Not well today but better this evening. wrote a sheet to Bro S. Sutter & mother Boys house formation begun.

3rd Frid nothing unusual.

4th Sat. A busy day with the work were paid off several of the men without difficulty. Indeed for some time past they have been more inclined to trust me in making up their accounts, as I have all along tried to explain to them the manner of keeping their time & charging the goods they ~~took~~ take. They seemed at first to think that we would of course cheat them & as they did not know what was due them they always disputed my reckoning in hope of getting more

March 5th Sund. Preached this forenoon from John 17. 17th There were not many present. This afternoon I spoke on a part of the 6th Chapt of Matt. The Lord's Prayer & a few verses preceding & following. I feel almost disheartened sometimes about the people here. they show so little interest in the means of grace. To-day a company composed in part of our Masons & Carpenters went visiting to Bendoo on the other side of the Lagoon. This is much the course pursued in Sierra-Leone on Sunday - it being a day for recreation & amusement The Clerks at Mr. M's factory seem to think that since they are busy during the week they should have Sunday for visiting & ~~idle~~ idleness.

March 6th Mond. Wrote a letter to Geo Fox Porter some accounts - working at timbers for Chapel roof.

7 Tues. ~~Last~~ night Bros. Tefft & Cole came down on some business & returned today. Mr. Tefft having re

ceived the Bills of the Ulaanu from America Written with the Mr. Ketham for his brown the price is above 12 hundred dollars,
Put the plates & ties on the Chapel.
Wrote part of a letter to Bro Whipple.
7 Tues. Nothing unusual - wrote some letters
8 Wed. Attending to various kinds of work - at Kitchen - Chapel &c.
9th Thurs. Having been appointed as Secretary of the Mission it will be my duty to take charge of the General Stores & keep accounts with the several Stations & give quarterly reports to the Cor. Sec. at home. In order rightly to do this I thought it necessary to have an account of Stock in all the Stations as there are many articles both here & at Kaw Mendi that have not been charged to these Stations & yet are supposed to belong to them. I therefore started this day to Kaw Mendi to lay the matter before those there & am glad to say that all gave consent

10 Frid. Returned from Kaw Mendi at night being unwell during the day & thinking it less injurious to travel at night than during the heat of the day & the time made one of the two necessary. My visit at Kaw Mendi was pleasant All treated me kindly. Reached this place at 3 O. this morning

11 Put some of the Rafters on the Chapel. Not well - tired & not prepared to preach tomorrow. Indeed for many weeks I have not at all tried to make preparations before Sunday morning. I can hardly feel free in doing so. Other things must soon be left in part for the more special work of my calling

12 Sund. Today there was an affair took place at Bonthe factory that called off most of the people here from meeting. It was the baptism of a Child whose parents

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living together unmarried. During the past week the father called on me to Baptize his child & I refused doing it on the ground that he was not a proper person from whom to receive the promises that should be made by the father on such occasions. I told him my views of the matter that he could not while living in that manner fulfil the obligations that would in the case be imposed on him. He agreed with me. But going to Cardiff & getting somewhat intoxicated he concluded that the rite should be attended to & applied to a Cooper by trade who has been in the Wesleyan ministry in Zoartown & that man assumed the office & administered the rite. There were many God-fathers & God Mothers present & the text was. "Let him that is without sin first cast a stone at her." The sermon I understand was designed to be a hit at me.

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13 Mond. This evening bro. Tufft & Condit & sisters Moore & Sexton came down. They are all pretty well but Miss Sexton.

14 Tues. Today bro. Tufft & Dit. ~~Sexton~~ ~~Started~~ for Freetown to take passage for America. This evening Bro. Condit & Bur-ton & sisters Moore & Blaguel & ~~came~~ myself took a Boat ride to Mr. Bransons place. I sent with Bro. Tufft a letter to Bro. Whipple - one to Susan. One to bro. Cox & one to bro. W. R. Smith. I sent a Box of curiosities to Susan. The half C. Cloths - two whole C. Cloths - One dozen table mats. Two dish covers. Rings - Broka - Hat & several other articles.

15 Wed. Worked considerable at pre-paring tin for Chapel roof.

16 Thurs. Put the Sheeting on the Chap-el - Read some. Canoe came late in the evening from Kaw-mun

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di bringing since his attack. Rec a letter from Bro. Thompson & one from Bro Brooks. Bro T. reports that some Bwozu people on their way here to trade were taken by the Burman people in the day or night before

17 Frid. Put the first of the tin on the Chapel. Evening took a boat ride with Miss. Bullard to Yatoe.

18th Sat. Worked nearly all day at the Chapel roof. Put on a considerable quantity. & I think it will be quite tight & durable.

19 Sund. Preached this forenoon from Ps. 56. 11 — There was a considerable number present & they in general seemed interested. This afternoon I spoke on the first few verses of the 7th Chap. of Matt. Today I have had some measure of enjoyment in religious things. I think much of home & my dear wife & child

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I have thought much also about our own family at home many years ago & of the great difference in our situation now. Two of us are here no more. Our parents are old & feeble & all have materially changed. This is indeed a world of change - Change is the only thing in which it is constant. I am desirous to get through with our building & other improvements here so that I can visit the people about us & talk to them on the subject of religion. This would I think be the most efficient kind of labor here. There are several small villages embracing some hundreds of people that are easily reached from this place. One of the Chiefs living near us told me some days ago that if I would have the bell rung at the time of meeting near his town he would come. The Boy rung the bell out along the road to the town & he came & brought some women with him.

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20 Mond. Very busy preparing tin for the Chapel roof. Sending clothes & other articles to Kaw Mendi by a canoe from there. I commenced the quarterly report of this station this evening & worked at it till pretty late

21st Tues. Still at the roof of chapel. & the quarterly report It is late. I am tired.

~~22 Thurs~~ Today Bro. B. & self went up to Welye to see the place It is on the Jong river & at its falls & has been spoken of as a good situation.

22 Wednesday. Today I have worked constantly & feel very tired I would not perform so much labor, but in putting on the tin roof it is necessary. Tonight I have posted some accounts preparatory to making out my quarterly Report. I now have much to do & I long to have more time for my religious duties

23. Finished the Chapel roof, but I am about unfit for much else till I get rest. I have now considerable fever so that I cannot go on with my reports & accounts. This morning the Good Boat came from the ~~town~~ Kaw Mendi & also a canoe on its way up to Mr. Tappan & I have to send some articles to Bro. Brooks by it. I wished to write him a letter today but could not.

24th Sent the boat back to Kaw Mendi with some goods & a letter to Bro Thompson. Also hired men for the canoe to go to Mr. Tappan. Purchased some articles for Mr. Brooks & send them with others from this station to him. Considerable fever all day in consequence of continual care & labor from early till late. Bro. B. & Whit & not returned — I fear they may be unwell.

25 — Sat. This morning early the Canoe came from town bringing

The wisdom and foresight of God

The father walking in the wood, familiar to him — accompanied by his little son, who is fearful of being lost — distrusts his father — warns him of danger &c. the father becomes impatient at last and enjoins silence. So men sometimes fear God will lose himself in some of his plans, but it is because of their own shortsightedness in not trusting Him.

Some Goods & a number of Passengers - the Sawyers for Mendi returned - One teacher for Mr. Brooks & one for us & a woman to attend to household affairs for us. After unloading the Canoe I prepared the things designed for Mendi & sent them the Sawyers & bro. Brooks' teacher by the Canoe to Mendi. The teacher can go with Mr. Thompson to Mo-Tappan by way of Mbaz next week. Bro. White & arrived this evening highly delighted with what they had seen. I am tired & possibly have not any preparation for the duties of tomorrow. I received letters from Bro. Whipple. One to all the missionaries & one to me. He much laments the want of union among us. & in his note to me urges me to remain here & bring out my wife. I feel sad & discouraged about our work here. & yet I do not see my way entirely clear to leave. May God direct me aright

Statistics

Population of the World.	938.421,000
Population of Europe	258,473,957
Population of America	50,240,000
Population of the U. States	22,000,000

Religions

Pagans	561. 820, 300
Mohamedans	120. 105,000
Christians	252,565,700
Jews	3.930,000

Denominations

Roman Catholics	134,732,000
Monophisites	3,865,000
Greek Church	56,011,000
Armenians	1,799 000
Protestats	55,791 700
Nestorians, &c.	367 000

United States

Baptists.	ministers	4907.	members	492.496
Methodists	"	3506	"	736.549
O. S. Pres.	"	1800	"	190,000
N. S. Pres.	"	1500		155,000
Lutherans	"	660		160,000

Africa

Population, 60,000,000. Ministers 228 making 1 min. to 250,000

Asia

Population. 400,000,000. Ministers. 540 making 1 min. to 740,740.

The world exclusive of Europe

The number of people in the world exclusive of Europe is 575,000,000. The number of ministers among these is 26,000 making 22,200 to 1 min.

United States

Pop. 22,000,000 min. 25,000. 1 M. to 900

Addresses

1 Joseph Macauley & Wm. Lemman
Benton Ohio.

2 Jane Walker Martinsburgh Knox Co. O.

3 James Walker Bellefontane Logan Co. O.

4 John R. Miller Enon Clark Co. O.
1 Feb 26th, 53

5 E. Longley Cincinnati, Ohio.

6 Rev. H. L. Dox Lockport Niagara Co N. Y.
1 L Feb 26th 53 — 1 Aug 9th 53 —
7 Rev. R. Smith Raymertown Rensselaer Co N.Y.

8 Rev. N. Van Alstine West Sandlake " " "

9 Rev. P. Weeting Hyndsville Schoharie Co. N. Y.
1 May 14th

Addresses

10 Rev. William King, Buxton P. O. Canada West. — Questions. What the probable number of people about the mission & the number of tribes — How many attend Church — How many attend School How many attend S. S. — How many hopefully converted — Are they warlike? What their mode of living — What Crops How do they cultivate the Soil — What Implements — Have they any horses, Cows or Sheep — What kind of Soil — Climate Diseases — — Have trade &c.

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11. Rev. J. Weisel Millersburgh Holmes Co. O.

12. Wittenberg College Dr Sprecher 1 May 14th Prof. Deihl 1 Feb. 3rd Dr Sprecher and the Profs of Witt. 1 Sept 21st 53. — 1 Philo. Soc. Witt. May 6th 53 — 1 Philo Soc. Aug 9th — 1 Excel. Soc. Aug 9th —

13 Gospel Herald – Springfield O 1 June 18

14 Lutheran Observer Balt. Md.
3 Letters Feb. 26th, 53 – 1 June 18 – 3 Sept 26th 53

15 L. Y. Parker, Oberlin Ohio. 1 May 14th

16 Dr. D. Myers – Phia – or Holmesville
1 Feb. 26th, 53.

17 Geo. Griffin – 1 L. Feb. 26th, 53. 1 June 18

18 Robt. Cole 1 L. Feb. 26th, 53

Parents 1 L. Feb. 26th 53. – 1 L April 23rd 53.

Wm. A. Rogers 1 Feb. 26th, 53. – 1 May 14 – Sept 21st 53

~~Sis~~t Rogers 1 May 14th –

H. R. Smith 1 Feb. 26th, 53. 1 June 18th 1 to Lit Annie

Revd Geo. Whipple 1 Feb. 26th, 53 — 1 May 4th 53 — 1 June 21st 53. — 1 Sept 26th 53 —

George Smith 1 June 18

Wm. Harned 1 L. April 23rd 1853.

Susan 1 L. Feb. 3rd 53 — 1 L. Feb. 26, 53 — 1 L. April 23rd 53 — 1 May 14 — 1 June 18th — 1 by Eng. July 27th — 1 Aug 9th — 1 Sept 26

Rev D. A Wilson Monrovia Liberia 1 in June

Mother Smith 1 May 14th 53 —

Rebecca — 1 May 14th 53.

Ira Crawford 1 May 14

Dr Schmucker 1 May 14

Bro Thomas 1 June 18th

(1) 22 viz. Ledyard, Houghton, Park, Anderson, Hornemann, Nicholls, Roentgen, Tucker, Tudor, Cranch, Galway, Smith, Peddie, Kummer, Campbell, Stockie, Toole, Denham, Clapperton, Morrison, Pearce, Laing — All distinguished men, perished in attempts to discover the ~~source of~~ Course of the Niger — Besides these hundreds of Soldiers, and Servants and a great number of Scientific attendants.

(2) About Three Thousand white traders are constantly on the western Coast of Africa

Discourse
1 Show the necessity of the mission
2 The Hopefulness of the mission
3 Individual Responsibility.
I The necessity

Bucket Well, June 18

T. J. Bowen Lagos West Africa
care of Rev. C. A. Gollmer

B. V. R. James Monrovia Liberia

Rev. Buens Monrovia Liberia

Rev. A. J. Imhoff Tarlton Ohio. 1 Aug 9th

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II The Hopefulness of the Mission
Africans not hopelessly sunk and degraded
In making a voyage of nearly 1500 mi.
along the Western Coast and calling at
most of the towns. The writer says
In no instance whatever, did we have
occasion to strike or punish a single of-
fican, nor were we in any case assailed
by these harmless people". Carnes. P. 310

III Individual Responsibility

The Negro woman who, administered to the wants of Maffet. ~~Dem~~ She amidst the desolation around acted with reference to her account — not prompted by those around her but by a something within her.

Success of Missions

The number of converts among the heathen ~~to each miss~~ was in 1839 about 300 to each missionary who became master of the language spoken by the people among whom he labored. — Travels in S. E. Asia By Howard Malcom Vol. 2 page 244

Wrongs of the people of West Africa
Not Less than Sixteen Millions destroyed by Slave trade — including those killed in wars instigated by it — those perishing in the passage and those reduced to Slavery.

Liquor Traffic — "In my humble opinion there have been more lives destroyed indirectly, indirectly, perhaps, by the use of ardent Spirits among these inoffensive people, on their own fertile Shores, than by the loss of life on "Middle Passage" after the poor wretches have been Sold into Slavery."
Voyage to the Western Coast of A. by Carnes

Efects of the Slave trade on Whites
In 1722 Snelgrave an Eng. Capt. and Slave
Trader, While having on board a distressed
woman weeping for the loss of her Son
and yet unmoved, risked his own life
and his ten companions, against 100 na-
tives, to rescue a little boy doomed and
tied for Sacrifice — brought him on board
the woman his mother grasped him say-
ing to the Capt. "I am now your Slave
If my child had not come tonight death
had relieved me, but now I live in obe-
dience — and this child is the pledge"
Voyage on W. C. A by Carnes. P. 261

The Supremacy of God & of Right

1 The Ill. by H. W. Beecher. The Precipice the rope but part way down — one ventures moving hand over hand downward — exults and ridicules the cowards at the top — they regret they did not venture — the one descends places his hand once more — no rope — he drops — the rest sliding back with terror — and then rejoice that they did not venture.

2 The Ill. (by the same) of the Lion — ants — spiders and Gnats — Lion sleeps — the insects conspire and go to work to enclose him — the builds a wall of dust — the Spider weaves his web over it — the Gnats trumpet their success — still the Lion wakes — shakes himself — and walks out heedless of all obstructions. What if his anger should impel to strike? So men attempt to hedge in God and Right.

Some Goods & a number of Passengers — the Laborers for Mendi settlement — One teacher for Mr. Brooks & One for us & a woman to attend to household affairs for us. After unloading the Canoe I prepared the things designed for Kaw Mendi & sent them, the laborers & bro. Brooks' teacher by the Canoe to Kaw Mendi. The teacher can go with Mr. Thompson to Mo-Toppum by way of Mblaz next week. Bro. R. & Mr. Thit & arrived this evening highly delighted with what they had seen. I am tired & feverish. have not any preparation for the duties of tomorrow. I received letters from Bro. Whipple — One to all the Missionaries & One to me. He much laments the want of union among us. & in his note to me urges me to remain here & bring out my wife. I feel sad & discouraged about our work here. & yet I do not see my way entirely clear to leave. May God direct me aright

The wisdom and foresight of God

The father walking in the wood, familiar to him — accompanied by his little son, who is fearful of being lost — distrusts his father — warns him of danger &c. the father becomes impatient at last and enjoins silence — So men sometimes for God will lose himself in some of his plans, but it is because of their own shortsightedness in not trusting him.